



# EMD

Washington Military Department  
Emergency Management Division



## Unit 2:

# State Assistance to Local Jurisdictions



# State Assistance

**How do you expect the  
State to assist your  
Jurisdiction during an  
emergency?**





# State Assistance

- Location: Bldg 20, Camp Murray
- Provides Coordination of Federal, State, and Local assistance to State Agencies, Local Jurisdictions and Tribes
- Coordinates mutual aid with Regional, State, and Federal agencies to provide resources, if necessary
- Provides 24/7 Alert & Warning
- Maintains State Emergency Operations Center
- Reviews Jurisdiction's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) IAW WAC 118





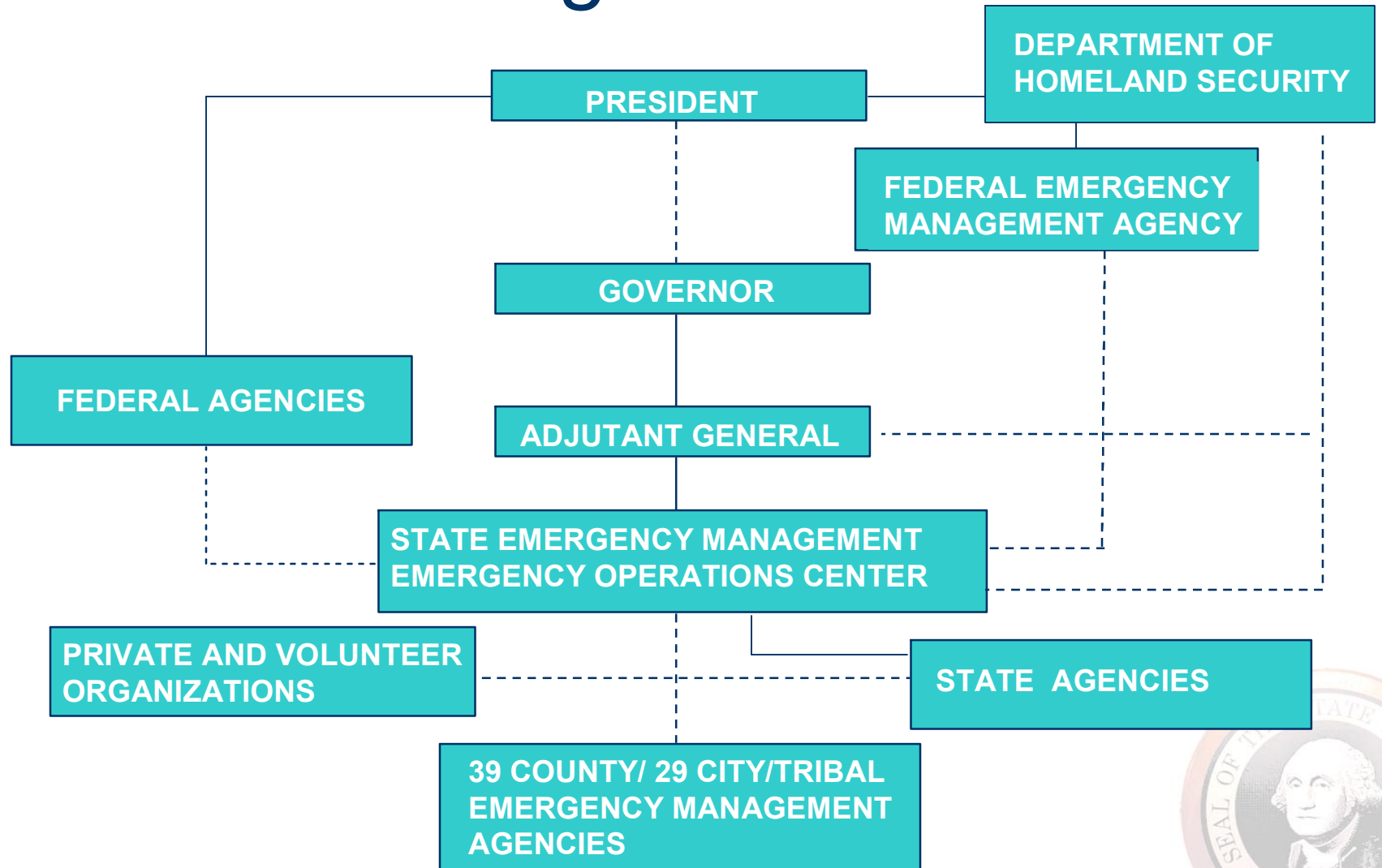
# State Assistance

- Provides Homeland Security Assistance and Coordination for Grants
- Provides Training & Exercises
- Provides Public Education
- Provides disaster recovery assistance through Public Assistance Program, Individual Assistance (Human Services) Program and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- Provides assistance for Federal and State Grants



# Emergency Management Coordinating Agencies

## “Big Picture”





## State Assistance

# Local Proclamation of Emergency

- Purpose

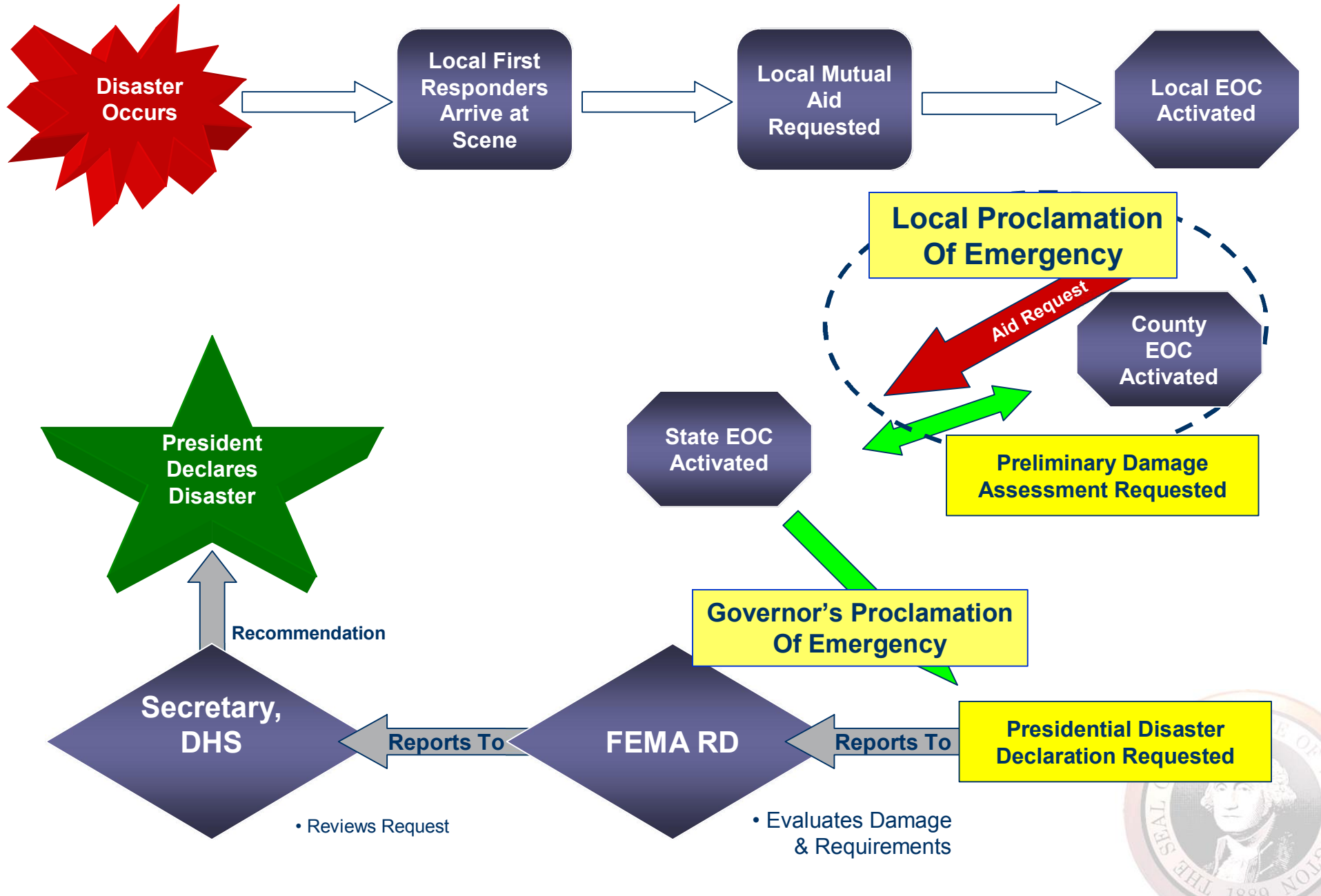
- Clearly identify community impacts
- Provides financial flexibility
- Provides for extraordinary local powers
- Provides for extraordinary contracting practices to support the incident

- Authorities

- Cities under 300,000 RCW 35.33.081
- Cities over 300,000 RCW 35.32A.060
- Counties RCW 36.40.180
- All political subdivisions RCW 38.52.070(2)



# Obtaining a Presidential Disaster Declaration





# State Assistance

## Disaster Recovery Programs:

- Individual Assistance (IA)
- Public Assistance (PA)
- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)







# State Assistance

## Individual Assistance

**Mission:** Provide timely and compassionate assistance to meet the disaster-related needs of the people and small businesses in Washington State

- Gateway to Assistance for Individuals, households, & Businesses.
  - Avenues of Assistance
    - Emergency or Major Disaster Declaration
    - U.S. Small Business Administration
    - Washington Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster (WAVOAD)





# State Assistance Individual Assistance

## Programs:

- Emergency Assistance (Voluntary Organizations)
- Insurance
- Individual and Households Program (FEMA/State)
- Disaster Loans (SBA)
- Crisis Counseling (DSHS)
- Disaster Unemployment Assistance (ESD)
- Disaster Legal Services (YLA)
- Long Term Recovery (Voluntary Organizations)





# State Assistance Public Assistance

- Provides federal / state grants to assist state and local governments, Tribes and certain private non-profit entities with the repair or restoration of public infrastructure damage following a Presidentially declared disaster
- Specific counties are declared; based upon damage thresholds
- Damage must be a direct result of a declared event, located within the declared area, and the responsibility of the applicant
- Funding = 75% federal and 25% non-federal match





# State Assistance

## Public Assistance

### What Needs to be Done?

- Identify your damages
- Quantify and estimate cost to repair
- Complete *preliminary damage assessment forms*
- Forward forms to your County Emergency Management Office
- County collects forms from all potential, eligible applicants (except state agencies)
- County forwards forms to State Public Assistance Office





# State Assistance

## Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

- Hazard Mitigation is a sustained independent action that, when completed and without any further action, will significantly reduce or eliminate the long term-term impacts to people and property from natural hazards and their effects.
- Funding for HMGP is based upon a percentage of the total FEMA expenditures in a declared disaster event.
  - Currently up to 20% for the state of Washington.
  - We have the first FEMA-approved Enhanced State Hazard Mitigation Plan





# State Assistance

## Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

- The Goal of HMGP is to provide funding for a long term solution to your disaster-related problem
- Not for deferred maintenance
- Must be a cost effective and environmentally sound solution





# State Assistance

## Public Assistance & Human Services

### Resources:

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# What Can You Do Today?

- Pass Resolution Declaring Emergency and Waiving Competitive Bidding
- Verify Jurisdiction has established tracking methods for expenditures
- Ensure Jurisdiction completes the initial damage assessment forms (training is available)
- Write a boilerplate Supplemental Justification
- Develop a Recovery Task Force (RTF)
- Become familiar with the Disaster Assistance Guide for Local Government







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## Questions?

